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THE SLEIGH RIDE.

Kind Providence the snow has sent,
And swiftly blew the breeze,
The night I sought and found Kate Trent
To win if he would please.
Allen his dad she'd, darling Kate,
The saucy little she,
Prepare herself and trust to fate
To rather trust to me.
While we went feeding it, hearty as love,
O'er the crust of the new-laid snow,

He gave consent with twinkling eye,
And Kate was ne'er so sweet;
So to the sleigh we all did hie,
And by the light of the moon
Our steeds like elenth-hounds break away,
Impatient of control,
While in we are hunters in the fray
Which stirs the very soul.
Dash and a-dash, on and on still!
Nor pause ere reaching Bailey's mill.

Dear Kate! Betrothed her many years,
And wedding flower it, too;
But spare my sensibility of fears,
I can not tell you.

Modern all nature's pasts
Since coming and going anew,
I can not tell you.

"Yes, Jack," said Kate, "I will be thine;
I'm tired with you and well;"
And so we were joined in time,
And so we were joined in time,
And so we were joined in time,

Cambria Freeman.

EBENSBURG, PA.

FRIDAY, - - - MARCH 27, 1885.

In accordance with a resolution adopted by the Legislature Governor Pattison has appointed Thursday, April 16, as Arbor, or tree planting day.

For the first time in over twenty-four years the Pittsburg *Post* a few days ago received from the Secretary of the Treasury at Washington a brief Government advertisement. This is not very important news, but it shows that new men are on deck and that a new departure has been made.

The New York *Sun* referring to the action of Mr. Lamar, Secretary of the Interior, in ordering the pleasure carriages used by his predecessors in office, to be sold and the proceeds paid into the Treasury, says that "one such ex-Confederate is worth a hundred plunderers that have always been loyal."—And so says the country.

General Grant's condition was better on Tuesday last than for some days previous. Inability to sleep is his greatest trouble and his physicians do not look upon his recovery as possible. The *World* says General Grant's physicians yielding to the wishes of his family, will use extract of red clover in treating the cancer, though they simply regard it as an "old woman's remedy." The doctors and the family are overwhelmed with letters of advice in which every known remedy and nostrum are mentioned.

President Cleveland has accepted the invitation of the veterans of the first and other corps to visit the battle-field of Gettysburg when they make their historical visit there on the 4th and 5th of May. The leading Generals of both armies will be present to explain the movements of their troops during the battle, and nearly all the war Governors of the States which furnished troops for that battle have signified their intention of taking part in the ceremonies. It promises to be a notable event.

The London *Echo*, a paper that is becoming quite prominent by the boldness of its utterances, takes the position that the Dublin corporation was right in deciding upon an attitude of neutrality on the coming visit of the Prince of Wales to Ireland. Of Irish loyalty the *Echo* truly remarks :

> Better far that it should take no active part in the coming festivities than to assist and deceive the future ruler of Ireland by hollow professions of loyalty. Ireland is not loyal. Give the Irish a fair chance of success and they would be in rebellion to-morrow. We hold Ireland as we hold Egypt and India, by the terror of our arms. Let England be in conflict with some great power and one great defeat would be followed by an Irish rising.

This is strong language, but not stronger than the circumstances warrant.

The appropriation of $90,000 asked for by the Geological Commission has been cut down by the Committee in the House at Harrisburg to $42,000, and the Committee has specified the localities where the money must be expended by the survey. If this is to be the last time that the Commission will vex the Legislature for an appropriation, the people will consider themselves fortunate that the ten year's job is at last ended. We predict, however, that at the meeting of the next Legislature a new demand for more money will be made, not so large perhaps as the amount asked for at this session, but enough to keep the work afloat for two years longer and enable the men who are engaged in it to get along comfortably.

We would like to see a published list of Democratic ex-Congressmen who have been hanging around Washington since Cleveland's inauguration in search of office. It would really seem that when a man, Democrat and Republican alike, has served one or two terms in Congress he is impressed with the notion that life is not worth living for unless it be at the expense of the Government. The practice heretofore has been that when a man was defeated for re-election to Congress, he instinctively sought a Presidential appointment to office in one of the Territories. The Chicago platform, however, insists, and very correctly, that the Territorial offices should not be conferred on outsiders, but upon citizens of the Territories, and Mr. Cleveland says that such will be his policy. This source of preferment being no longer available to ex-Congressmen, they seek high positions in the Departments at Washington. They think they are entitled to a monopoly of the offices, but Mr. Cleveland has not thus far gratified them, and we hope he will fight it out on that line hereafter.

It may now be said, we think, that neither the Congressional nor the State apportionment bill will become a law during this session of the Legislature. They will both, no doubt, pass the two houses in any shape the Republican majority may decide upon, but that Gov. Pattison will give them his sanction, no sane man believes. He at least will not consent to see the Constitution deliberately violated, however willing the Republicans may be to engage in that kind of Legislative amusement. There is a Congressional apportionment bill before the House and one before the Senate, and the latter, the most infamous of the two, passed second reading on Tuesday last, and will eventually pass the House. It deprives the 100,000 Democratic voters of Western Pennsylvania of any representation in Congress whatever, and in the eastern part of the State it violates every feature of a fair and honest apportionment. Elbridge Gerry, the father of the odious apportionment plan that bears his name, was a political saint when compared with the author of this Senate iniquity, which can never pass that body over the Governor's veto.

Some of the members of the Fourth, Eighth, Fourteenth and Eighteenth Regiments of the National Guard of this State, the first two from the eastern and the last two from the western part of the State, are in a fair way of being severely dealt with on account of their disgraceful conduct after the inauguration and just before they left Washington for their homes. The Commissioners of the District of Columbia basing their action on the report of the Superintendent of Police of Washington, have addressed a letter on the subject to Governor Pattison enclosing a copy of the Superintendent's report, and the Governor proposes to act promptly in the matter. In the report members of the regiments referred to are charged in effect with breaking into a beer depot and carrying off several barrels of beer, robbing several huckster's wagons, completely gutting several stores, wantonly destroying private property, and in one instance entering a small shop kept by a widow and driving her daughters from the house by insults. Gen. Sherman and Gen. Sheridan have pronounced the National Guard of this State to be the best military organization in the country outside of the regular army, and if upon investigation these charges are found to be true the guilty parties should be drummed out of their regiments after having been severely punished, and thus prevented from ever again disgracing the organization as well as dishonoring the State which supports it at such a liberal, and as many people believe, useless expense.

Three or four weeks ago we published the High License Bill just then introduced into the House, at Harrisburg, by Mr. Brown, of Erie. By the the terms of the bill the additional license to be paid in cities of the first and second classes was $500 ; in cities of the third, fourth and fifth classes, $250, and in all boroughs and townships, $150. The Committee of Ways and Means at the close of last week reported the bill back to the House with several important amendments, and we publish in another part of our present number the full text of the proposed High License law as it is now presented to the House. We need not enter into the details of the bill, but refer our readers to them. By the bill as first offered by Mr. Brown the additional license in Cambria county would be $150, and by the bill as reported by the Committee and as it will come before the House for its action, the additional license in all the boroughs and townships in this county, with the exception of Johnstown and two or three of the surrounding boroughs, and also of Ebensburg, will be $25. In Johnstown the additional license will be $150, and in Ebensburg $50. It is not likely that there will be much delay in taking up the bill and disposing of it, but what its shape will be after running the gauntlet of the House no man can tell.

No appointment of a Pennsylvanian to an important office under the general government, has ever been so heartily endorsed as that of Malcolm Hay, of Pittsburg, by President Cleveland to be First Assistant Postmaster General.—Mr. Hay was not an applicant for that or any other office, never having been a place hunter, but Mr. Cleveland knew enough about him to impress him with the fixed belief that if he could procure Mr. Hay's consent to take the responsible post of First Assistant Postmaster General, he would secure the services of an able, upright man, who would fearlessly and firmly discharge his duties, even though the heavens should fall. All the Republican papers bear willing testimony to Mr. Hay's ability and purity of character. He will practically control the appointment of all postmasters whose salaries are under one thousand dollars, and they amount to a good sized army, numbering we believe about forty-five thousand. He has a most weighty responsibility resting upon him, but he will prove himself equal to the task. The only fear is that the state of his health, which is by no means robust, will not be able to bear the strain that will be imposed upon it.

On Friday last the President sent to the Senate the names of the following persons as United States Ministers to the governments respectively mentioned : Gov. Robert M. McLane, of Maryland, Minister to Erance ; Edward I. Phelps, of Vermont, to England ; Geo. H. Pendleton, of Ohio, to Germany and Henry R. Jackson, of Georgia, to Mexico. These gentlemen are all admitted to be entirely competent for the positions assigned them, and what is a little singular is that none of them, except Mr. Pendleton, was an applicant. He wanted the mission to England and was endorsed by every Democratic member of the Senate. He is wealthy and accomplished and would have cut a broad swarth, as they say, in London society. He is said to be fond of good living, and whether he can stand the beer, bologna, pretzels and Sweitzer cheese of Berlin, Germany's capital, to say nothing of Bismarck, for four years, remains to be seen. Phelps is a distinguished lawyer and has ran two or three times for Governor of Vermont ; McLane is also a very able man, and Jackson was Minister to Austria under the administration of President Pierce.

Mahone's plundering crew in Virginia seems to be badly demoralized and almost certain to be broken up. The patronage of the general government in that State is no longer at his disposal, as it was during Arthur's term, and as if that of itself was not enough to destroy his political prestige, he is now confronted with the opposition of Governor Cameron, Lieutenant Governor Lewis, and other leading Readjusters, or Republicanists in the State, whose aim is to prevent Mahone from controlling the nominations for Governor and other State officers to be made by the Republicans of Virginia during the coming summer. It will be a bitter factional fight and no matter which side wins, the Democrats in the "Old Dominion" are sure to be strengthened. Mahone is about the most complete specimen of a political demagogue that any State in this Republic has ever produced, and his downfall will be hailed with loud acclaim by every honest man in the country.

CALL A HALT.

There are a good many people in and around Harrisburg at the present time who seem to think the State of Pennsylvania is a vast depository of treasure, which is held at the disposal of every body who cares to ask for it. They think that the only purpose of raising revenue is to give it out in vast sums to any so-called charity that thinks it has need for it. They would tax the people of the entire State in order that some local concern may gobble up the proceeds. It is quite as remarkable that the members of the Legislature seem anxious to second the efforts of these despoilers as far as they possibly can. Through their Comittee on Appropriations they have already recommended appropriations to the extent of $3,600,000, and it is predicted that the sum will reach fully $5,000,000 before all the returns are in. This, be it remembered, is for charitable purposes only, and altogether apart and distinct from the $7,200,000 which are required for the ordinary expense sof the State, such as the cost of the Legislative and Executive departments, the interest on the public debt, the needs of the sinking fund, and the appropriations to the public schools. As the total revenue of the Commonwealth is only about $12,500,000, it will be seen that if these schemes go through, the State treasury will be left empty. All this, be it remembered, is being done at a time when the revenue of State is diminishing, and during a period when her great industries are staggering under a most serious business depression. With these facts before them, the Appropriation Committee will recommend an increase of eleemosynary aid over last year amounting to from forty to fifty per cent.

The people are not in favor of this extravagance. If their voices could be heard nine out of every ten would be lifted in protest. Surely the members of the Legislature are not ignorant of this and will not dare to disregard the wishes of their respective constituencies. Every district where there is a charitable institution located of course makes common cause with every other where like institution exist, and these, unitedly, present a strong front. No other demands appeal so strongly to our sympathy as those of charity ; none are so hard to resist, but surely all must see that these are not times for extravagant and indiscriminate giving. The Legislature owes a duty to the people as well as to the appeals of charity. For the Legislature to follow the lead of its Appropriation Committee would literally be to run the State into debt out of sentiment. The money appropriated to this purpose two years ago was very large, so large, in fact, that there can be no excuse for almost doubling the sum this year. The issue must be met squarely and without shirking. Fair dealing with the taxpayers of the Commonwealth demands that their hard-earned money shall not be recklessly and lavishly thrown away without their consent or against their well known wishes. The members of the Legislature understand this question from first to last without being told. They know what is expected of them, and they cannot afford to run counter to the best interests of the Commonwealth and the will of their constituents.—*Lancaster New Era.*

THE EMMITTSBURG FIRE.

ST. JOSEPH'S ACADEMY DAMAGED. LOSS $50,000—COVERED BY INSURANCE —THE COMPLETE DETAILS.

At noon on Friday last fire was discovered in the kitchen of the building occupied by the Sisters of Charity at St. Joseph's academy, Emmittsburg, Md., and in a very short time the entire building was in flames. The greatest consternation prevailed, but as the building where the children of the academy were kept was some distance off, and the wind set the flames in an opposite direction, all the children and young ladies were removed to a place of safety. All the male inhabitants of Emmittsburg, including the seminarians and professors of Mount St. Mary's college went to aid the Sisters of Charity, but the means for extinguishing the fire were so limited that little could be done.

The fire started started in what is known as the northeastern wing and is supposed to have originated from a defective flue in that portion of the wing used as a kitchen. The roof in flames was observed by persons in Emmittsburg, a quarter of a mile distant, and the first knowledge of the fire the inmates of the academy had was given by residents of the town.

The fire was raging fiercest about 3 o'clock. At that time the kitchen and dining rooms, forming one building, the dormitory, another building close adjoining, and the stables were all ablaze. As a number of frame houses occupied by laborers were situated next to the stables, the attention of the firemen was first called to that quarter, and the flames were soon extinguished. When the men returned to the other two buildings it was found that a third was on fire, the infirmary having caught from the flames from the kitchen.—Thirty invalids who were in this department were removed in safety to a remote building, and the fire in the infirmary was soon extinguished. The men then began to work from the corridors and forced the flames outward to prevent them from communicating to other buildings. The Sisters and pupils in the academy bore the excitement well and did not break down until all danger was past. While the fire was in progress a large number of people whose children were inmates of the institution arrived on the scene. All were assured that the girls were safe, and seemed satisfied. When the 7:10 train from Baltimore arrived another crowd of anxious parents were assured that their children were not only safe, but not in the least alarmed. Telegrams from all over the country, anxiously inquiring about the pupils, were received.

The building known as the kitchen and dining room was built in 1859. It was five stories high and covered a lot 60 by 60 feet. This building was burned to the ground. The building adjoining was the sisters' dormitory, built in 1873. It is 54 by 103, and like the kitchen, is five stories high. This building is also consumed, the bare walls alone left standing. The roof of the corridor leading to the infirmary was burned, and the furniture in the building was damaged by water. The Sisters in charge of the policies state that they amount to about $50 000, one of which is in the Protective companies, of London.

The exact origin of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to have been caused by a defective flue. There were seventy pupils and twenty Sisters in the building where the fire originated. Some of the former were taken home by their parents. At one o'clock the fire was out, and half an hour later the Frederick fire department, which had arrived in time to render effective service in protecting the buildings not reached by the , returned home on a special train.

There are fifty thousand roller skating rinks in this country and about five hundred persons engaged in making skates, who turn out every month not far from three hundred thousand pairs. The craze will, of course, die out, but even should it not the industry will be overdone.

ANOTHER GOOD APPOINTMENT.

The office of first assistant postmaster general is one that is next in importance to a cabinet place, if indeed in some respects it does not transcend certain of the portfolios. It deals with the post-office appointments below the rank of presidential postmasters, numbering some forty thousand, and thus reaches every cross roads in the exercise of the incumbent's discretion or favor. The president has given the country a complete surprise in sending to the Senate for this office the name of Malcolm Hay, which has not been canvassed in connection with it or any other place under the administration.

It needs no introduction nor commendation to the Pennsylvania Democracy.

Mr. Hay is one of the foremost, the ablest and most popular members of his party in the State. He is a lawyer who has never abandoned his profession for politics ; he is at all times and under all circumstances a gentleman ; he has ability, courage, a high sense of honor and elevated ideas of public service.—He served with distinction as a member of the constitutional convention of 1873. He has been a very frequent and always a prominent figure in State conventions. Twice he peremptorily declined any use of his name for high honors, which only waited some indication of his willingness to come to him by the spontaneous offer of the entire convention.—He declined appointment to the most lucrative office in the State for reasons which all self-respecting men appreciated, and with a foresight that few others possessed at the time. It goes without saying that his present nomination was made without any seeking or solicitation on his part, and this circumstance gives it all the more significance and makes it exemplary of the continuing high purposes of the administration.

It is needless to inquire or speculate what influences secured this appointment. No Pennsylvanian who has not held federal office, and few who have, is so well known to the party of the country at large as Mr. Hay. He was a member of the State delegation to the St. Louis convention in 1876, and one of the gentlemen selected by Mr. Tilden to look after a fair count in Florida in that famous electoral struggle. He was chairman of the delegation in the Cincinnati convention of 1880, and his management on the floor excited the admiration which it always commands in such positions. Again in 1884 he was chosen by the delegation at Chicago its representative on the resolutions committee ; when that body dead-locked between Converse and Morrison for chairman, Mr. Hay was by common consent called to preside over it ; and to his admirable tact and unswerving fairness the party owes the clear, conservative, but unmistakable deliverance on the tariff which enabled it to win the presidential contest.

Such a Democrat needed no introduction to the administration ; and was no stranger to its chief or its cabinet. He will take with him into an office which mainly for cool, sagacious judgment of men, the independence, the courage, the fidelity and the discretion which the position needs, and which distinguish a strong and safe executive and counsellor.—*Lancaster Intelligencer.*

The Lay of The Land.—The appointments made so far by the President and the circumstances surrounding them, indicate a few points of a partially developed policy :

1. The Government service is to be conducted on business principles, and not political prominence and activity, but solid qualifications for the duties of the place are the essentials for appointment. Democrats will be appointed, but they must be capable. Public office is a public trust.

2. Big petitions, a visit to Washington, haunting the corridors of the departments, and a delegation of ex-Congressmen, are not potential, but rather the reverse, other things being equal. The President has the "resisting faculty." Therefore stay at home unless you can afford the luxury of five dollars a day for dyspeptic diet at a Washington hotel. Mail your papers. It answers every purpose.

3. The President makes no exception that all appointments must take their regular course in the department. There is no petition or chum Cabinet business.

4. Incompetency, inefficiency, or an irregular life, are fatal to those holding over, and will be a bar to appointments. The "soft snaps," otherwise sinecures, are to be abolished as fast as they can be uncovered. There will be no such fine pickings for Democrats as there have been for Republicans the last twenty years. Sad, but true.

5. The departments are to be thoroughly renovated and disinfected. When the administration gets done with this kind of work the country will have plain proof that it is not well that one party should remain too long in power, and a change of party is necessary—if for no other reason—to discover and remedy mere administrative abuses.

There will be other signboards and danger signals later.—*Pittsburg Post.*

English and Russian Forces.—Russia has more soldiers and more war ships than any other country in the world. In her standing army there are 780,000 men, and she has 385 ships in her navy. It costs $125,000,000 a year to keep her military establishments on their peace footing, and her military authorities say they can place 2,300,000 trained men under arms in time of war. The English standing army is 182,000 men. This includes the British regular troops serving in India. The English War Office authorities profess to be able to put 642,000 well drilled and effective British troops in the field if called on to do so. This does not include the Indian auxilary forces, which would swell the total British forces at home and abroad to over 1,000,000 of men. It costs England $90,000,000 a year to keep up its In 1853 there were 52,000 Irish soldiers in the English army ; now there are but 31,000. In 1853 a great number of Irishmen from the Tipperary, Armagh, Kilkenny, and other Irish militia regiments volunteered for active service, and were sent to the Crimea. The English navy contains 283 ships. But while the Russian navy contains more vessels than the English navy, it must be remembered that England spends three times as much on her navy as Russia apends on hers.

Army Appointments for Cleveland.—The present Administration will be a very important one for the army, owing to the number of high-rank vacancies which will occur within the next four years, and which President Cleveland will have to fill. Brigadier-General Angur, who is now in command of the Department of the Missouri, will be retired in July, 1885 ; and in July, 1886, he will be followed by Major-General Pope and General John Newton, Chief of Engineers, and in August by Surgeon-General Murray. Two vacancies will occur in the list of Brigadier Generals. When General Pope is retired General Terry or General Howard will succeed him as Major General, and in February, 1888, General Hancock will be retired, thus promoting another Brigadier to be Major General, and making a second vacancy in the Brigadier list. General Terry is entitled to the first Major-Generalship vacated by General Pope's retirement, but General Hancock's successor will become the head of the army on the retirement of General Sheridan, ten years from now. General Nelson A. Miles will stand the best chance of getting it. He married the niece of General Sherman.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our regular Correspondent.

Washington, March 23, 1885.

The political situation in Washington was never more interesting than it is now, but the interest is entirely devoid of sensation. It will be the province of history with a retrospection of fifty years or more to portray the great and important changes, the slow, but potent revolution that is now taking place. The observer of to-day can catch only here and there a scene and a sign in the progress of events as they are evolved around him. Mr. Cleveland's administration may not be precisely what many of his supporters have hoped, but their disappointment cannot equal that of the supporters of Mr. Blaine, who see in the wisdom, the caution, and the conservatism of the administration, the refutation of their predictions and the ruin of their hopes. With the exception of the appointment of the now celebrated Mr. Higgins, malice itself has been able to find no fault with those who have been placed in government offices. The torrent of animadversion that poor Higgins has received must strike the average government employe as very absurd, for even if the worst said of him is true, it follows that he is only as bad as the thousands of others whom the party of "moral ideas" has cherished in its heart of hearts for at least sixteen years. Higgins gambles, he stuffs ballot boxes, he is smart and tricky, is the cry of the saintly rascals who supported a man like Blaine, and men like Robeson and Belknap, and who stole the Presidency eight years ago. Why, a large number of the Republican employes in office now are drunkards and gamblers, men with salaries of from $1,000 to $2,500 a year, who would not be trusted with five dollars, and who would be dismissed to-morrow if it were not for the fact that they served in the Union army. Ye hypocrits, First cast out the beam from your own eyes, and then will you see more clearly to pull out the mote that is alleged to have been in your brother Higgins' eye before he was appointed to a subordinate office in the Treasury department. It is curious, grotesque, and moralesque to see what a high standard the Republicans have set up for those from whom, a few months ago, everything vile was vociferously predicted.

A great change has come over the city of Washington, has permeated all the Government offices, has affected the homes, and even the shops of the people. That the new Administration will fulfill its contract to conduct the Government on business principles, in the interest of the people instead of the office-holder, is now believed by all. Government clerks no longer feel the sheltering arm of their Republican influence, and are working in a way that is really surprising. Those who before the election were blatant and abusive of Democrats, cannot now be hired to say a word against them, and some have even taught their lips to utter praise. The average Government clerk is very unhappy. He is aware that he has very little to do, and that he is not qualified to do that little. He has heard that the new Administration will reorganize the Departments and discharge the useless, the incompetent, the idle, the drunkard and the gambler. He knows this means him. He knows that outside the Government office he cannot make a living ; that better clerks are working in business houses all over the country at one-half and one-third what he is paid, working constantly for ten and twelve hours a day, while he is doing sham work for only seven hours a day.

Shop keepers, especially those who sell cigars and tobacco, tell that times are very dull. Government clerks are economizing in preparation for the day of dismissal.

In making appointments, I unnderstand that the Administration will be very careful to select only competent and sober men, and it is expected that the moral tone of the service and of the city will be improved. Improvement is already discernible. President Arthur's administration was comparatively respectable, but it was at best, a succession of the Grant regime of vulgarity and dishonesty, and the Hayes regime of fraud and hypocrisy. I think President Arthur thought more of his distinction as a fine gentleman than of his fame as a statesman. There is now promise of simpler manners, purer laws. Washington during the next four years may not be the Mecca of fashion and social ostentation, but it will be more than ever the ideal capital of a decent Democracy, K.

Monster Hogs.—The rivalry among the raisers of heavy porkers in Burlington county, N. J., has been greater this year than ever before, and three of the leading farmers of New Hanover township have been contending fiercely for the championship, which entitles the winner to the gold medal offered by a Trenton firm of pork packers, the winner to hold it for three years against all competitors. Joseph Carter killed his hogs on Saturday week, and twenty averaged 843 pounds, the heaviest weighing 1,059 pounds. It was considered next to impossible to exceed this average. But Taylor Devinney, who lives near Wrightstown, on Tuesday achieved the honor of having raised the heaviest lot on record. Four of the heaviest weighed 1,205, 1,035, 1,055 and 1,079 pounds respectively as they hung on the shambles dressed, and with the remaining sixteen the average of the 20 was 872 pounds. The lightest hog in the lot weighed 739 pounds. These weighs are net, after deducting the gambrel and stretcher. The measurement of the large hog was 5 feet, 9 inches from the ear to the ham, and the girth was 6 feet 5 inches. They were of the Jersey Red variety, and were pigged in May, 1883, so they were not two years old. In addition to these hogs Mr. Devinney killed eight pigs, not yet a year old, that weighed from 395 to 520 pounds.

The Philadelphia *Record* says : A great deal of circumstantial falsehood is being telegraphed from Washington every day, much of it stupid, much of it malignant. Its manufacturers and utterers seem animated by a deliberate and persistent purpose to embarrass and misrepresent Mr. Cleveland underneath an affectation of friendship and admiration for him. It would be just as well for sensible folks to judge Mr. Cleveland by what he does and refrain from doing, rather than by these old wives' fables as to his intentions and motives, devised by people who can know nothing upon the subject.

The Dream of Youth.

The dreams we so fondly loved in early life may just as quickly pass away and leave nothing but a seared and desolate path behind. The proud hopes which spring unbidden in the human heart, may die and fall as fell the plague of sinful man. The monuments of beauty and art which have been reared by man's creative genius may crumble and turn dust, but yet Peruna, the great remedy, will still be acknowledged to be the greatest of all medicines, and will still receive the praise which so rightly belongs to it. Thousands have received benefits from it, and have shown their appreciation of it by their testimonials to that effect. Ask your druggist for this great remedy, and for the pmphlet called the "Ills of Life," or address Dr. S. B. Hartman & Co., Columbus, Ohio, and they will send you one free.

A Positive Guarantee is given that every article sold at the Golden Eagle Clothing House, Altoona, Pa., is lower in price than the same quality and make can be bought elsewhere. And remember, right here, that it makes no difference how low a price other clothiers may ask for their goods, or what inducements they may offer for your patronage the prices will always be lower at the Golden Eagle Clothing House, 1301 Eleventh avenue, Altoona, Pa.

NEWS AND OTHER NOTINGS.

—A girl at Sharon, Pa., had the gap like a chicken one day last week.

—The City Council of Mansfield, O., has passed an ordinance requiring skating rinks to pay a tax of $200 per year.

—The Winona, Greenbay and St. Paul Railroad has been seized for debt.

—In a wagon load of scrap-iron and rubbish which a DeKalb, Ill., junkdealer bought for a song, was found a pocketbook containing $1,600 in bank notes.

—Clipped from *Canada Presbyterian*, under signature of C. Blackett Robinson, proprietor : I was cured of oft recurring billious headaches by Burdock Blood Bitters.

—Dominick McCaffrey, the Pittsburg pugilist, and John L. Sullivan, the Boston slugger, are under training for a sparring match to be held at Philadelphia on April 2.

—The largest locomotive ever built has just been finished by the Baldwin Company of Philadelphia, and will be sent to Brazil next week. Its weight is 224 000 pounds.

—The shoe shop prisoners confined in the Riverside penitentiary at Woods' Run station, near Pittsburg, tried to escape from that institution last week by digging a tunnel 53 feet long. The plot was discovered by the warden.

—At Clarion, O., Minnie Thompson arranged to elope with Arthur Simpson, and in attempting to leave a second story window of the house of a friend to meet her lover, fell and received injuries from which she died in the morning.

Last Friday night the storm at Mt. Washington, N. H., was terrific beyond description. A northwest wind prevailed, which had a velocity of from 100 to 140 miles an hour. The spirit thermometer fell to 48 below zero on Saturday morning.

—The death of Miss Mary Cleary of Brooklyn, on Friday afternoon is attributed to roller-skating. Miss Cleary exercised in the rink and became overheated and exhausted. She got chilled on the way home only a few blocks distant, and was taken to bed.

—Harris Rodnisky and James Kaeper, Polish Jews, were arrested at 98 Essex St., New York, on Friday afternoon and counterfeit one, three and ten-cent pieces to the number of five thousand were found, together with many implements used in counterfeiting, which were constructed with surprising ingenuity.

—William Sweeney was descending the steps at the head of South Eighteenth street, Pittsburg, on last Friday morning, when a small dog ran between his feet, tripping him, and causing him to fall to the foot of the steps. His lower jaw was broken by the fall and he was severely cut about the head. He was removed to his home on Brownsville avenue.

—Early on Thursday morning of last week some mischievous person, or persons, entered the lobby of the reporter's gallery of the United States Senate, and cut the wires of the United Press, Associated Press, and Western Union, and Baltimore and Ohio Companies. The damage done was slight and soon repaired. The Capitol police are investigating the matter.

—While Mrs. Fielding Nay of Enterprise, Harrison county, W. Va., was filling a lighted kerosene lamp from a can last Friday night, the can exploded and the woman was so badly burned that she died Saturday morning. This is the second death from burning that has taken place in Nay's family this year. A few months since he lost a 16 year-old daughter, her clothes catching fire from the grate.

—Senator Bridges, Democrat, of Illinois, who suffered from a stroke of paralysis one month ago and whose condition has ever since been very critical, died at his home, near Carrollton, last Friday morning. This happening, following the death of Representative Logan three weeks ago, leaves the Illinois Legislature once more a tie on joint ballot. The House and Senate both adjourned when the annoucement of the death was made.

—Mrs. John Mallins' boarding house in East Bridgeport, Conn., was burned on Friday last and Mrs. Mallins and Jerome Bowen were burned to death. George Rutherford, an old fireman, in endeavoring to save Mrs. Mallins, was horribly burned on the face and hands. Mrs. Mallins' four children and several boarders barely escaped with their lives. Nothing was saved but the night clothes they wore. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

—The brake beam of a car of the east bound freight on the Pennsylvania railroad broke when the train was near Paoli, Pa., last Thursday morning, derailing three cars and obstructing both tracks. A west-bound freight ran into the wreck, upsetting the engine and damaging several more cars.—The wreck caught fire and the track was blocked some hours. Fireman Lutz was killed and Engineer Schultz and Conductor Keech were injured.

—At an early hour on Sunday morning, Fritz Schneider, a German living in Allegheny City, was found by his wife lying on the floor of the kitchen in a pool of blood with his skull fractured, three ribs broken, and his face mashed to a pulp. In the yard evidence of a struggle was to be seen, and a bloody club was found in an outhouse.—Schneider, who cannot recover, stated that he was assaulted three blocks from his home by Patrick Rodgers, a fellow workman.—His story, however, is doubted by the police authorities. Rodgers has been arrested. He strongly protests his innocence.

—A number of District of Columbia business men have filed complaints with the District Commissioner for damages done by the Pennsylvania militia while in attendance at the inauguration. These complaints are that the soldiers not only stopped carriages and turned out the horses from wagons, and tossed negroes in blankets, but that they broke in and robbed shop windows and drove the small shopkeepers in terror from their stores, and committed many similar outrages. The facts have been ascertained by investigation, and the Commissioners will report the damages to the Governor of Pennsylvania, who will probably be able through his staff, to fix the responsibility where it belongs.

—News of a suicide and probably a murder at Howard, Steuben county, New York, has been received. Dr. J. W. Rathbone, a graduate of the Buffalo Medical University and one of the most promising physicians in that section, while under the influence of liquor Thursday of last week took an overdose of chloral and also gave one to his crippled sister, Dorlisky. Rathbone has died and no hopes of his sister's recovery are entertained. Whether the poison was taken by Rathbone and administered to his sister with deadly intent or by mistake is not known. He became addicted to drink about a year ago, which resulted in a separation from his wife, she returning to her home in Rochester.

—Thousands of women and girls rushed to a dry goods store in Cobees to buy silk which it was advertised would be sold "three yards for 1 cent." No less than 5,000 people crowded the store and the street shortly after 10 o'clock. Pandemonium prevailed inside the store, and counters were pushed to one side, shelves were broken, and several women actually jumped upon a lace counter and trod upon the material in their endeavor to get a few yards of the silk. Two women fainted away, but no attention was paid to them by other females, who acted as if they were mad. Several hundred dollars worth of lace goods, etc., were destroyed by being walked upon, and the clerks were obliged to stand upon the counters and shelves. One old lady fell down and several fell over her and the greatest excitement prevailed. It is said that many articles of value were stolen. But a few yards of the cheap silk were sold.—*Albany Argus.*

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—In them, and that they will cure when any or all of these singly or *—Combined*
—Fail. A thorough trial will give positive proof of this.

Hardened Liver.

Five years ago I broke down with kidney and liver complaint and rheumatism.

Since then I have been unable to be about at all. My liver became hard like wood ; my limbs were puffed up and filled with water.

All the best physicians agreed that nothing could cure me. I resolved to try Hop Bitters ; I have used seven bottles ; the hardness has all gone from my liver, the swelling from my limbs, and it has *worked a miracle* in my case ; otherwise I would have been now in my grave.—J. W. Morey, Buffalo, Oct. 1, 1881.

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"I was dragged down with debt, poverty and suffering for years, caused by a sick family and large bills for doctoring.

I was completely discouraged, until one year ago, by the advice of my pastor, I commenced using Hop Bitters, and in one month we were all well, and none of us have seen a sick day since, and I want to say to all poor men, you can keep your families well a year with Hop Bitters for less than one doctor's visit will cost. I know it."—A Workingman.

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(*Continued from last week.*)

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Here, There and the Other Place.

The merchant now devises
A plan brisk trade to win:
He straightway advertises
And rakes the shekels in.

—Spring.

—Easter next.

—Prepare to flit.

—Soon April fool.

—Next Friday is Good Friday.

—Next Sunday is Palm Sunday.

—The Lenten season is drawing to a close.

—For canned goods go to the Sugar Bowl.

—Acker's Dyspepsia Tablets never fail.

—You can buy wooden buckets at Barkers' at $1.50 per dozen.

—For choice groceries go to the Sugar Bowl.

—You can buy a floor oilcloth at Barkers' for 25 cents a yard.

—Altoona's lockup averages sixty tramps a night.

—You can buy body Brussels carpet at Barkers' for $1. per yard.

—The postmaster of Somerset has sent in his resignation to take effect on the 31st instant.

—Mrs. R. E. Jones desires all customers indebted to her to call and square up their accounts.

—You can buy groceries cheaper at Barkers' than anywhere else.

—In some parts of the county owing to the long winter, feed is said to be getting very scarce.

—Mrs. R. E. Jones has a large lot of cheap corsets at her millinery store. Call and learn her prices.

—Messrs. Joshua Aurandt and J. Brown, of Lilly's, will both erect substantial dwelling houses in the coming spring.

—Miss Elizabeth Garman, sister of Mr. John Garman, of this place, died in Johnstown on Saturday last, aged about 80 years.

—It is said that a large amount of wheat is frozen in the ground in Westmoreland county, and the prospects for a good crop are very slim.

—We call special attention to the advertisement of Thomas W. Bowman, Nurseryman, Rochester, N. Y., who is in want of more salesmen.

—The following named persons will find letters awaiting them at the Ebensburg post office: Mrs. Millie Davis, Owen R. Jones, Martha Jane Camon, John Williams, Jas. C. Wasson.

—Mr. William Corbett, the genial ticket agent at Cresson, has resigned his position with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company to accept another with a paraffine oil company in Philadelphia.

—In Northumberland county the prisoners in jail during the year 1884 were furnished with $300 worth of tobacco at the expense of the county. The county auditors have refused to pass the bill.

—Messrs. John Hamilton and M. C. Bradley, of Lilly's, who have been confined to their rooms for over a month, are little if any better. Both are advanced in age, and their recovery is very slow.

—You can buy tapestry Brussels carpet at Barkers' for 50 cents a yard.

—Messrs. Gray & Williams, of Carrolltown, who recently erected a distillery have already purchased about 1,000 bushels of rye and will commence the manufacture of the "ardent" in the near future.

—The old Foster House, at one time one of the leading hotels in Johnstown, was torn down last week. The ground occupied by it will be used as a yard in connection with St. John's Convent and schools.

—You can buy anything you want at Barkers' at the very lowest prices.

—Miss Mattie Griffith, one of the Washington township teachers, has been lying sick at her home at Lilly's for two weeks past. Her place in the school room has been filled by her sister, Miss Sallie Griffith.

—The dwelling house of J. H. Rowles, of Lawrence township, Clearfield county, was entirely destroyed by fire one night last week, with all its contents. Some of the family escaped in their night clothes. Loss $1,000; no insurance.

—You can buy a nice fine rag carpet at Barkers' for 50 cents a yard.

—Mr. Thomas S. Rice, of Washington city, at one time a resident of Altoona, last week purchased the American House at Hollidaysburg, from Mr. D. K. Reamey and will take charge of it about the 1st of May The price paid was $14,500.

—You can buy a good ingrain carpet at Barkers' for 30 cents per yard.

—The editors of the Indiana *Messenger, Progress, Democrat* and *Times* have bound themselves by an agreement not to sell their papers except for cash in advance after July 1st. All who fail to square up to that date will be dropped from the lists.

—Ex-Senator Cowan, of Greensburg, is suffering from throat trouble, and fears are entertained that it may develop into cancer similar to Gen. Grant's affliction. He returned from New York on Tuesday last, where he had been to consult an eminent physician.

—Messrs. William McCammon and Thomas Donahoe, of Altoona, started on Monday for the city of Mexico. They have accepted positions under the Mexican National Construction Company, the former as foreman in the machine shops and the latter in the car department of that company.

—Burgess Barker added $2.50 to the revenue of the borough on Tuesday last, that being the amount of the fine imposed on a belligerent individual for participating in a racket in front of the Central House. His opponent jumped in his sleigh and skipped the town before the officers got hold of him.

—A great many people will be moving next week and as a consequence, will, after they have got fixed up, want to lay in a new supply of household necessaries. At John Owens' store on High street, can always be found a fine assortment of boots and shoes, dry goods, groceries, provisions, etc, all at the very lowest prices.

—Messrs. Custer & Sensabaugh will vacate the blacksmith shop at the station in this place, on the first of April and concentrate all their business in their shop on Sample street, opposite Chute's carriage shop, and also at Belsano, Blacklick township, where they intend to manufacture all kinds of buggies, carriages and buggies cheaper than ever before.

—On Friday night last three Swedes attacked William Howell and Bartley Biller at Gallitzin, knocking them down with a stave and cutting Mr. Howell in the back between the shoulders with a knife. Mr. Howell is said to be seriously injured. The Swedes were brought to jail on Wednesday last to answer for the offence at our next term of court.

—John Clark, of Renova, Clinton county, was found dead in the Revere House in that place on Sunday last. Evidence thus far elicited shows conclusively that Clark died from the effects of drinking a beer goblet full of whisky on a wager in a saloon last Thursday night. His father avows his determination to bring criminal action against all who are implicated.

—Edward Hoover, son of John Hoover, and grandson of Mr. Lewis Hoover, of this place, had his right leg ground off by the cars at Johnstown on Tuesday last. He was sent on an errand and had to cross the railroad where a freight train was standing, and as he was in a hurry attempted to cross the train. It started just as he was getting off and threw him with his right leg under the wheels. He is about 13 years of age.

—J. H. Westbrook, formerly of Portage township, is at present wanted by several parties in Johnstown, who have been victimized by him. His way of doing business was to run a small bill and in payment thereof tender a check for a larger amount, pocket the difference and skip. The checks were forgeries.

—Prof. Lesley, State Geologist, in a letter to the Tyrone *Herald* in reference to the subject of mining gold at Huntingdon, throws cold water on the project and says that to reach the gold-bearing rock the citizens of Huntingdon must sink a shaft a distance of 12,310 feet or two and one third miles.

—On Saturday last as Mr. Isadore Lilly, steward of the almshouse, was driving into town in a sleigh, while going through a drift on the graveyard hill his sleigh was upset and he was thrown out and had his right leg badly sprained at the knee. He was housed up for several days but is able to be about again.

—Mr. D. G. Myers of the Mountain House this place, while coming from Loretto on Friday last, lost a package of money containing thirty dollars. He did not discover his loss until he reached home, when it was too late to go in search of it. The next day he drove over the ground carefully and was fortunate enough to find the package on the road a short distance from Loretto.

—The postmaster at Ringgold, Jefferson county, Pa., was arrested last Thursday by order of Postoffice Inspector Speese. The postmaster is short three hundred dollars in his postal account and was taken before the United States Commissioner at Brookville, Pa., and gave bail for his appearance before the United States Court at Pittsburg, April term. Robert Perry is the name of the postmaster.

—The banking firm of M. W. Keim & Co., of Johnstown, closed their doors on Thursday of last week and a number of business men and farmers of Johnstown and vicinity are left in suspense about the several amounts they had on deposit in the defunct bank. The next day Mr. Stephen Stutzman was appointed assignee of M. W. Keim & Co., and all property transferred to him for the benefit of creditors.

—A Pittsburgh exchange says: Frederick Mockleiner, a German, working at Baldwin Station, near Pittsburgh, on the P., V. & C. R. R., is living peaceably with two wives and says he expects a third to arrive shortly from Johnstown. When taxed with the fact that he was living in the same house as his band of both women he openly admitted it. He says he met them all three at Castle Garden three years ago, invited them to live with him, and taught them English.

—It is a subject of report that Bishop Tuigg, on account of his continued illness, has forwarded his resignation to an Archbishop, who will transmit it to Rome. While many of the Catholic clergymen see no reason why the report might not be true, they maintain that they have no information that would lead them to think that the resignation had been sent in. They say that the question about a ruler of the diocese will be settled at Rome, and the news will be received from there.

—The barn of Blair Mahon in Buffington township, Indiana county, together with its contents consisting of a lot of hay, grain and farming implements, was destroyed by fire on Thursday of last week. How the fire originated is not known, as two men employed on the farm had been at the barn feeding but a short time before the fire occurred and everything was right when they left. Within the past eight years four barns have been burned on this farm off the same foundation.

—On last Friday night a fire occurred at Bellefonte which proved to be the most destructive that has visited that town for many years. It originated early in the evening in the Brockerhoff House stables which were destroyed together with several other small buildings. About 10 o'clock at night when the fire was thought to be under control it again broke out, and before the flames were subdued properly valued at about $200,000 was destroyed. The losses were mostly covered by insurance.

—The Pennsylvania people have introduced a new and very accommodating feature on the "Limited" train. The conductor on each of thes trains is supplied with a large package of envelopes, each of which is weighted with lead, so that they may be tossed from a moving train to a station agent by passengers who wish to forward telegrams before the train reaches its next stopping place. On the envelope are printed directions to the telegraph operator to send the dispatch at once.

—The County Commissioners and Associate Judges of this county, who visited Ebensburg, the county seat of Cambria county, last week to examine the public buildings, returned on Thursday, much pleased with the courtesy shown them. The Commissioners are undecided yet what improvements to adopt in rearranging the jail, but will make up their minds before spring opens. Decided changes are demanded, for the health of the neighborhood, in the jail building.—*Somerset Democrat.*

—As the Johnstown Express going east on Sunday last was passing a freight train near Mapleton, Huntingdon county, the engine struck a man who was walking on the track and threw him violently against the bank. He was badly bruised and cut by striking against the stones and rocks in the bank and was picked up and taken to Ryde station, where he was removed in order that he might receive proper medical attention. He gave his name as Lemuel Lock, age 52 and was on his way to Lancaster where he has a sister living.

—On Friday last the dwelling house of Mrs. William Little, near St. Augustine, in Clearfield township, was destroyed by fire. The fire was discovered by some neighbors and had made such headway before its discovery that the building was past saving. The occupants of the house were engaged in their household duties and were unaware of the conflagration above them, until the neighbors rushed in. The house and contents were entirely destroyed. The loss is estimated at about $1000, and is supposed to have originated from a defective flue. We have not learned whether there was any insurance or not.

—The origin of the terms "six penny" "ten-penny," etc., as applied to nails, though not commonly known, is involved in no mystery whatever. Nails have been made a certain number of pounds to the thousand for many years, and are still reckoned in that way in England, a ten penny being a thousand nails to ten pounds, a six-penny being a thousand to six pounds, a twenty-penny weighing twenty pounds to the thousand; and, in ordering, the buyer calls for the three-pound, six-pound or ten-pound variety, etc., until, by the Englishmen's abbreviation of "pun" for "pound," the abbreviation has been made to stand for a penny, instead of pound, as originally intended.

—The way the roads are drifted up compels traveling through fields in many places and the traveler who is not familiar with the geography of the country frequently finds himself completely lost. A young man from Altoona recently took a young lady from this place out sleighing, and on making the return trip in the evening after dark, turned into the fields where the track was completely drifted up, trusting to the intelligence of his horse to bring him out on the road and was badly nonplussed when the horse brought them to a stand still in a farmer's barnyard. How to get out was a question he could not solve, and the farmer had to be called out, the situation explained, and he kindly put them on the road to Ebensburg, when they went on their way rejoicing.

COMMUNICATED.

EBENSBURG, March 25, 1885.

EDITOR FREEMAN: The members of the W. C. T. U., of Ebensburg, who have been laboring assiduously in the good cause of temperance turned out last Thursday for a visit to Johnstown to the number of about thirty, presenting a fine appearance as they passed through the streets of Ebensburg.—The bright countenances and the merry laugh indicated that the sleigh ride was enjoyable. Leaving town about eight o'clock, a. m., and arriving at Conemaugh at eleven, and snow being scarce, it was thought best to stable the horses and patronize the street cars. And although there were houses that were recognized by the Court as hotels, yet stabling for horses was scarce, and we were obliged to seek private entertainment for our horses, and as luck would have it we fell in with our good friend Samuel Tibbott, who furnished us stabling for our six horses, while we pursued our way by street car to Johnstown and were met by the members of the W. C. T. U. at their hall on Washington street. The meeting was cordial and pleasant. The party from Ebensburg consisting of Rev. McCaslin and wife, Rev. Hill and wife, Rev. Jones and wife, V. S. Barker and wife, John J. Evans and wife, Thomas L. Jones and wife, Alonzo Mason and wife, Edward Mason and wife, Daniel Davis and wife, Mrs. Thomas Nipple, Mrs. Rowland Davis, Mrs. Melancthon Evans, Mrs. John Howells, Mrs. Dr. Bunn, Mrs. Daniel Chute, Mrs. Sarah Davis, Miss Emily Evans, John Folsom, A. A. Barker and Master Freddie Jones, were escorted by the ladies of the W. C. T. U. of Johnstown into their hall, where a most excellent dinner had been prepared for us, to which I am sure we did ample justice. It was just such a dinner as the ladies of the Johnstown W. C. T. U. knew how to get up—the best of everything that the market afforded—well cooked and in *apple pie order.* After appeasing our appetites (which had become pretty sharp) and a short time spent in sociability, we were called to order by the president of the Johnstown W. C. T. U. and was led in prayer by Rev. Hayes, of Johnstown. Reports of the Unions being first in order, the president of Johnstown W. C. T. U. reported the union in a flourishing condition and doing a good work. The secretary of the Ebensburg W. C. T. U. read quite a flattering report of the standing and financial condition of the union, and also of their plan of work, giving quite a graphic account of their committees' visit to the jail, distributing literature and conversing with the inmates, and that nearly all of them acknowledged that whisky was the cause of their being in jail. After listening to the reports of the unions, one hour and more was spent in speechmaking by the brothers and sisters of the unions. Adjourned at half-past four, leaving Johnstown at five by street car conveyance, arriving at Conemaugh on time, and jumping on board the train of sleds in waiting for us, and arriving at Ebensburg at ten o'clock, p. m., with a good appetite for a late supper. The ride was a pleasant one and enjoyed by all who participated, especially Master Freddie. The veteran boss drivers of the teams, Thomas L. Jones and John Fulsom, proved themselves masters of the situation, by guiding their teams over the hills, through the valley's, over the craggy ways, and landing us safely at our own loved home, for which they have our sincere thanks. A MEMBER.

Terrible Railroad Accident.

A disastrous freight wreck occurred on Thursday of last week on the Pennsylvania railroad near Allegrippus, by which one man, John Michaels, was instantly killed, and three others badly injured. The train consisting of thirty-five cars had just emerged from the east end of the tunnel when a coupling broke, leaving four cars on which were the flagman and one brakeman. The balance of the train consisting of the engine and thirty-one loaded cars went on down the mountain with Engineer James Fox, Fireman C. L. Berghan, of Altoona, and Conductor Bert Hatch and Brakeman Nagle, of Derry, on the train. The four men left on were not sufficient to manage the large train and the increasing speed of the train caused the engineer to repeatedly whistle for down brakes without any apparent answer when he reversed his engine, but the momentum of the train was still increasing until the red lights of a train ahead running in the same direction but at a much slower rate, warned the engineer that a collision was inevitable. He jumped from his engine and was thrown across the ties and badly hurt, being cut all over the head and face, one thumb broken and bruised about the body, but still was able to climb a pole on which a lamp was hanging and go back and signal another approaching train.—When the cars struck the train ahead they were piled up and smashed in an indescribable mass and the flagman of the first train, John Michaels, was crushed among the debris. Conductor Hatch was injured internally, while Fireman Berghan had his wrist broken and was also cut and bruised about the head and body. John Michaels, the man killed, was a son of H. B Michaels, of Conemaugh, and has relatives living at Wilmore.

"People Who Live In Glass Houses," Etc.

While the National Guard was in Washington attending the inauguration ceremonies, a member of Company A, 5th Regiment, stationed at Ebensburg, became intoxicated and while in that condition the Colonel of the regiment ordered him to be stripped of his uniform, and he was left with nothing on his person except a shirt and pair of drawers. Remonstrances were of no avail with the Colonel, and his comrades took up a collection and purchased the culprit a suit of clothes. While military discipline is all right in its way, we believe the Colonel was too harsh in his treatment of the offender. In these "piping times of peace" such measures are calculated to do harm rather than good to the National Guard. Drunkenness is one of the worst drawbacks the guard has to contend against, but if the crime is to be punished in such a stringent manner it would be well to begin with some of the members who wear shoulder straps. Drunkenness is not confined to the rank and file by any means. If a strictly temperance man would unexpectedly make a call at some of the marquee tents during an encampment he would see enough to convince him that the private soldier was not the only "whisky guzzler."—*Hollidaysburg Register.*

Improving the Penn'a Railroad.

John Mackin, of Chartiers valley, one of the most widely known railroad contractors of the State, with his nephew, Edward Croft, of New York, also a contractor, left for Philadelphia last Thursday night. Their mission was stated to be to close a contract with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for straightening many of the curves on the railroad between Pittsburg and the East. Many new sidings will also be put in and other improvements made. On the 1st of April, good weather permitting, the working force on the Pennsylvania Railroad, which is now at the minimum, will be increased to ten or twelve on each section on the entire five divisions between Pittsburg and Philadelphia. This will make in all an increase of between five and six hundred men. The work of repairing the defects of the road occasioned by the winter will be commenced at once. On the Pennsylvania Company's lines fully as many more men will be put to work, bringing the working force up very nearly to what it was before the cut last fall.—*Pittsburg Dispatch.*

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following transfers of real estate were filed in the Recorder's office, this place, for the two weeks ending March 25, 1885:

Francis McDunn et al. to James McDunn, 147 acres and 65 perches in Summerhill tp.; consideration, $135.

Caron Leahey to Susanna McCormick, lot in Lilly's borough; consideration, $600.

Susanna McCormick et al. to Rachael Mariz, lot in Lilly's borough; consideration, $700.

Ellen Hannan to Jacob Levergood, two lots in Johnstown; consideration, $1050.

Casper Hager to Jacob Levergood, lot in Johnstown; consideration, $1302.

John Parke to Jacob Levergood, lot in Johnstown; consideration, $1750.

Jacob Feed to Jacob Levergood, lot in Johnstown; consideration, $100.

Peter H. Levergood to Jacob Levergood, ¾ lot in Johnstown; consideration, $1750.

Cambria Iron Company to Jacob Levergood, 1 acre and 121 perches in Stonycreek township; consideration, $500.

Peter Levergood to Peter Levergood Jr., lot in Johnstown borough; consideration, $500.

James P. McConaughy et ux. to R. F. Cameron, lot in Cambria borough; consideration, $300.

Treasurer of Cambria county to Cambria county, 52 acres in White township; consideration $11 68.

Cambria county to Thomas Griffith, 52 acres in White township; consideration, $25.

Treasurer of Cambria county to Cambria county, 40 acres in Summerhill township, consideration, $7.65.

Cambria county to Thomas Griffith, 40 acres in Summerhill township, consideration, $8.

Thomas Wills et ux. to W. W. Ansbey, coal in 56 acres in Gallitzin township; consideration, $2008 33.

Patrick Mooney to W. W. Amsby, one-seventh interest in 88 acres and 153 perches in Gallitzin township; consideration, $201.30.

Prudence M. George et al. to Caron Lahey, 1¾ acres in Washington township; consideration, $80 00.

Richard Nagle to John F. Weaver et al., 46 acres and 7 perches in Barr township; consideration, $420.52.

James N. Maguire to Demers Delozier, lot in Dean township; consideration, $45.

James McNeelis to Anthony McNelis, lot in Dean township; consideration, $45.

Demers Delozier to James McNelis, lot in Dean township; consideration, 1.

John J. Troxell et ux. to Bridget Burns, lot in Gallitzin township; consideration, $150.

John J. Troxell to Francis Burns, lot in Gallitzin township; consideration, $150.

J. G. Seehler to Lorenzo J. Driggs, 120 acres in Cambria township; consideration, $3500.

M. W. Keim et ux. to Stephen Stutzman, all real estate for the benefit of his creditors.

Joseph Bender to Philomena Miller, nine acres in Carroll township; consideration $118.43.

Ann Scanlan and husband to Elizabeth Glass, 99 acres in Clearfield township; consideration, $3000.

Cambria Iron Company to E. B McCartney, lot in East Conemaugh; consideration, $475.

Assignee of E. B. McCartney to John Hendricks, lot in East Conemaugh; consideration, $630.

John Hendricks to J. Zimmerman et al., lot in East, Conemaugh borough; consideration, $630.

J. Zimmerman et ux. to W. H. McCartney, lot in East Conemaugh borough; consideration, $1000.

William Lamar's administrator to James C. Lamar, 29 acres and 17 perches in Susquehanna township; consideration, $757.

Henry Wechsenbach to Ellen B. McDonald, lot in Loretto borough; consideration, $1.

Odds and Ends from Chest Springs.

"What constitutes a State?

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Not starr'd and spangled courts,
Where low-browed baseness wafts perfume to pride

Men,—high-minded men,
With powers as far above dull brutes endued,
In forest, brake or den,
As beasts excel cold rocks and brambles rude;
Men who their duties know,
But know their rights, and, knowing dare maintain."

The present Administration all hail! It is doing a noble work. As the Irish song sings:

"Get out of that,—
And let Mr. McGuire sit down!"

Which is the nobler—men who spend all their lives scraping "filthy lucre," or those who pass through this sublunary sphere as travelers, like the pilgrim to the Holy City, with staff and script, buying a living from the natives as he wandered through countries? The latter are evidently farther removed from the material than the former.

What an ethereal "essence" is thought! Thought is very potent although we cannot see it. By devised thought a mathematician erects strong defences, the statesman pilots the "ship of state" through the breakers of revolution, the philosopher opens up a world of wonders to the eyes of ignorance, the poet builds crystal castles with golden courts, and the theologian builds a highway of truth through the wilderness of error Thought plans, matter executes. Right thought, or its result, order, is Heaven's first law.

Materialists just deny the whole supernatural world; that is the "head and front of their offending." The Material Universe hangs suspended from the Supernatural by invisible chains, so to speak, and the seventh sense of the Agnostic has become so dull by degeneration, or atrophy, that he cannot perceive the ethereal links.

The mind is greater than the body, man is greater than the beast, the supernatural is above the natural.

Some folks look upon a literary person as a sort of smart idiot. The "grub" is all in all to them, and of course it is is very important, for it sustains the relation to literature that fuel does to the steam engine. A locomotive engine wouldn't move an inch without coal; neither could the writer write a scrape without bodily sustance.

The Exchange Hotel has changed hands. Changes are lightsome, they say. The new host and hostess are from Altoona, and look like "to the manor born." Hotels are necessary that travelers may be comforted.

Youthful philosophy deals in big words—the sage with wisdom, gives us profound thought.

All the gold of Croesus could not give one idiot brains.

A diamond is a diamond, though found in mud puddle, and paste is paste, though usurpting a place in a regal crown.

Wit may produce gold, but gold cannot produce wit.

If you wish to see Original sin exemplified, behold how one baby will hit another over the head with a corncob by way of assuaging its uproarious grief, taking great pleasure all the while in the increased hullabaloo.

Miss Jane Seehman, of this place, is working a rug which is a marvel in its way, quite a work of art, in fact. Her industry, talent, and kindly disposition vie with one another for the ascendency. A. D. H.

A Dwelling House Burned.

On Monday last about noon, as William Pfeister, of Allegheny township, and his family were eating dinner, they heard a crackling sound they could not account for, and Mrs. Pfeister proceeded up stairs to see what it was. When she opened the door she found the whole upper part of the house in flames, with the roof about falling in. The family succeeded in getting out a stove, sewing machine, and an armful bed clothing, but everything else was destroyed. The house was a log building and was not insured. Mr Pfeister's loss is estimated at $800.

Ladies Wanted.

A lady is wanted in every city and village, also ladies to travel and solicit orders for Madame Wood's Corsets and Corded Corset Waists. Agents are making from twenty to fifty dollars a week.

Send for circulars and price list to B. Wood, 64 South Salina St., Syracuse, N. Y.

—A free trial of Prof. Harris' Pastille treatment for nervous and physical debility in men can be had of Harris Remedy Co., St. Louis, Mo.

HIGH LICENSE.

The High License bill introduced by Mr. Brown, of Erie, some weeks since, and favorably reported to the House, was soon after recommitted for further consideration by the Ways and Means Committee. On Friday last the bill was reported to the House as follows:

Section 1. Be it enacted, etc., That any person or persons, company or association to whom or to which a license shall be hereafter granted authorizing the sale of intoxicating liquors at retail in this Commonwealth shall pay the additional license fee for each year or portion thereof such license shall be granted, as follows:

1. In all cities of the first and second classes where such license may be granted the sum of $500.

2. In all cities of the third class the sum of $400.

3. In all cities of the fourth class the sum of $300.

4. In all cities of the fifth class and in all boroughs containing a population exceeding 10,000 inhabitants the sum of $200.

5. In all boroughs whose population is less than 10,000 and more than 5,000 the sum of $150.

6. In all boroughs whose population exceeds 2,000 and is less than 5,000 the sum of $100.

7. In all boroughs whose population is more than 1,000 and less than 2,000 the sum of $75.

8. In all other boroughs and in the several townships of the Commonwealth the sum of $25.

Section 2. That any person or persons, company or association to whom or to which a license shall be hereafter granted authorizing the sale of malt liquors at retail in this Commonwealth shall pay the additional license fee for each year or portion thereof such license shall be granted, as follows:

1. In all cities of the first and second classes where such license may be granted to sell malt liquors as aforesaid the sum of $250.

2. In all cities of the third class the sum of $200.

3. In all cities of the fourth class the sum of $150.

4. In all cities of the fifth class and in all boroughs containing a population exceeding 10,000 inhabitants the sum of $100.

5. In all boroughs whose population is less than 10,000 and more than 5,000 the sum of $75.

6. In all boroughs whose population is less than 5,000 and more than 2,000 the sum of $50.

7. In all boroughs whose population is more than 1,000 and less than 2,000 the sum of $25.

8. In all other boroughs and in the several townships of the Commonwealth the sum of $15.

Section 3. That the license fees provided for in the first and second sections of this act shall be required in addition to the fees and taxes now provided for by law for the vending of intoxicating and malt liquors at retail, and shall be paid into the city, borough or county treasury where the said license shall authorize the sale of such liquors, and shall be applied to such uses as may be determined by the proper authorities therein; provided, the provisions of this act shall not be so construed as to impair the legality of any unexpired licenses; and provided further, that before any license shall hereafter be granted, the additional license fees provided by this act shall first be paid, as hereinbefore required.

Section 4. That whenever in any city, borough or township in which licenses are granted under any local or special laws requiring a higher license fee for retail dealers of intoxicating or malt liquors than is required by the general laws of this Commonwealth fixing the fees to be paid by such retail dealers, the additional fees required to be paid by the provisions of this act shall be limited to such an amount which, together with the fees required under such local or special laws, shall not exceed the sum of fifty dollars; and all the provisions of this act and those required under the said general laws of the Commonwealth; provided, that the provisions of this section shall become inoperative in any county, city, borough or township when any such local or special laws shall be repealed.

A View From a Different Standpoint.

A popular infidel speaker has said: "When I think of the suffering and death, of the poverty and crime, of the cruelty and malice, of the heartlessness of this 'plan' or 'design' where beak and claw and tooth tear the quivering flesh of weakness and despair, I cannot convince myself that it is the result of infinite wisdom, benevolence and justice."

Now, the above words from the lips of an unbeliever depict in vivid colors the present state of a sin-cursed world; but did the "clean" animals, which entered into the ark with Noah, live and prey on one another? Had sin never entered into this world, would the spirit of selfish fury and oppression have been sown broadcast amongst the families of the animal kingdom?

We saw an instance of evil possession, when the "Prince of Life" cast out the legion of devils, from the man, forcing them into a herd of swine, which they destroyed. A remedy was found for man, but all nature—material nature—suffered in his fall, for he was the head of material nature, made in the image of God.

Of course the Agnostic denies all things supernatural; but he might as well build a mannikin of leather and springs painted up and clothed, and launch him on the stage of action, as a sentuble presence, as to give us the universe we behold about us, without the supernatural in it.

Why, the supernatural is by far the "biggest half" of Creation.

In the words of Holy Writ: "Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say unto Him that formed it, Why hast Thou made me thus?"

"Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honor, and another unto dishonor?"

The world is in that condition which is before described, and we cannot know why it fell into that condition, without viewing from the true standpoint. If God made it that way, we have no right to question; and if God did not make it that way, will some Agnostic or Infidel please tell us who did make it?

The Agnostic is somewhat like the man who said he saw a fly on the church steeple: we might as well believe what they say as to hunt for proof. Their's is a negative creed all through.

They remind one of a child questioning a great mathematician or architect, about the plan of a great work. The child sees something in the draft, or plan, which is beyond his infant mind; and he will then go away and tell his companions that there is no sense or wisdom in the plans of that Architect.

But look at the comforts, and pleasures, and joys that God has plentifully provided for all His creatures! Their span of existence, long or short, is one round of happiness; living in bowers of rainbow hues, zephyrs, sunshine, tinkling rills—the air laden with the breath of the flowery kingdom and spicy herbs.

Nor is the safety of animals forgotten by the all-provident Creator. Each has his own way of escape or defence. Shaggy coats, horns, hoofs, coats of mail, tusks, claws, talons and beaks—all show that God provided a way of escape for all His creatures.

Nor is the fall of the sparrow unnoticed by Him.

The natures of the lower orders would not admit of immortality, but their lives were filled to repletion with pleasures innumerable—witness the hum of the honey-gathering bee and the warble of the bird in the flowery hedge.

Again, behold yon minnow sporting over the golden shallows amid the silvery ripples of the brook! Is he not happy? Is his life not one span of joy? So you will find it throughout the animal kingdom.

When the storms of winter approach, God has given His creatures instincts to fly away to a warmer land of pleasant summer, or else to burrow away in the earth, snugly hid from the fierce blasts which sweep over the frozen hills.

So you see, the animal kingdom is abundantly provided for in regard to food, comfort, safety and pleasure. They must die sometime, for they were not made immortal, nor was a know ledge of their beneficent Creator given them. All painless death were just as good to them as a lingering decay; and bear in mind that all extra links in the chain of suffering—so called—is the result of sin, in the world a stubborn fact.

Chest Springs, Pa., March 23, 1885.

Resolutions of Condolence.

At a meeting of the Young Men's Sodality of St. Patrick's church, Gallitzin, Pa., held March 15, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst by death our beloved friend and brother, Owen Bogues, whose edifying life made him a shining light in our Sodality, therefore be it

Resolved, That while we humbly bow to the will of the Almighty God in calling our beloved brother from this world, we nevertheless feel the loss we have sustained in the death of so worthy a member.

Resolved, That through respect for our deceased brother, the banner of our Sodality be draped in mourning for the space of three months.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the relatives of the deceased.

Resolved, That these resolutions be recorded on the minute book of our Sodality.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published in the Ebensburg FREEMAN, Gallitzin *News* and Altoona *Times*.

JOHN I. CAMPBELL,
FRANCIS KINNEY,
EDWARD F. SMITH,
JAS. W. KILLDUFF,
Com. on Resolutions.

Carpet Weaving.

The undersigned, residing one half mile east of St. Lawrence, desires to inform the public that he is prepared to weave carpet on short notice and at reasonable prices.—All work turned out will be first-class.

March 13, '85.-c. JOSEPH WARNER.

OBITUARY.

McCONESTY.—Died, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. Martin Thomas, of Clearfield tp., on Monday, March 16, 1885, Mrs. Ellen McConesty, aged about 90 years.

McVEY.—Died, in Allegheny township, Monday, March 23, 1885, Miss Catharine McVey, aged about 27 years.

CUNNINGHAM.—Died, at his residence in Carroll township, Monday, March 23, 1885, Mr. James Cunningham, aged about 75 years.

LYTLE.—Died, at his residence in Lowistown, Sunday, March 22, 1885, Mr. William Lytle, aged 71 years and 7 months.

The deceased was a well known and highly respected citizen and had been for some time a teacher in the Soldiers' Orphan school at Cassville, Huntingdon county. He was the father of Mr. A. A. Lytle, of South Fork.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

STATEMENT OF SETTLEMENT with the Supervisors of Clearfield township, for the year 1884.

HIRAM MCCLEISH in account with Clearfield township road district.

	Dr.	Cr.
By am't of work done by taxables		$ 458 87
" land returned		75
" exonerations on work dup.		7 31
Personal services 72 days, $1.0 per day		108 00
		574 73
		538 82
		35 91
Cash paid order No. 1, T. T. Byrne	61 58	
" " 2, George Cassidy	60 80	
" " 4, J. H. Douglass	75	
" " 5, T. S. Williams	5 00	
" " 6, W. Ivory	3 00	
" " 7, John Durbin	2 25	
" " 8, E. R. Bungess	14 05	
" " 9, T. S. Williams	10 10	
	157 43	
Cash paid for tools and repairs	1 55	
Cash for work done on road	3 55	
Exonerations on cash duplicate	4 50	
Five per cent. for collecting $166.81	8 34	
By balance on work duplicate	50 91	
	226 08	
By cash paid to George Cassidy in full	15 99	
	242 07	
To amount of work duplicate		$ 473 82
To order to County Treasurer		50 00
		523 82
To amount of cash duplicate	$ 240 05	
To amount due township	12 99	
	226 06	

MICHAEL HAFKEY in account with Clearfield township road district.

	Dr.	Cr.
By amount of work done by taxables		$ 371 02
Credit by lands returned on work dup.		15 26
" abatement on J. Nagle's w'k tax		2 74
Exonerations on work duplicate		9 48
For making out duplicate one day		1 50
Personal services, 74 days @ $1.50 per day		111 00
By team 4 days @ $2.50 per day		12 00
By am't of Jos. Adams' tax to McElvire		1 38
Credit for one day attending settlement		1 50
By cash paid order No. 1, T. F. Byrne		60 86
" " 2, E. Will		7 40
Cash paid order 1, '83, Mrs. Rose Collins	48 36	
" " No. 5, Lucas Moyer	5 75	
" for plank	32 51	
" for nails	80	
" for bolts	25	
" for repairs to plow	75	
" for work done on road	4 10	
" R. W. Delozier	40	
Lands returned to Comm'rs on cash dup.	6 02	
Exonerations on cash duplicate	4 00	
Abatement on John Nagle's cash tax	1 10	
Cash paid Martin Carle for lumber	3 73	
" Andrew Carle for plank	5 48	
" Thomas Yeager for work	1 00	
" James Cawley	1 48	
" John Conrad	1 58	
Credit ½ day attending settlement	75	
Cash paid to order No. 1, Lucas Moyer	2 25	
" " 2, John Durbin	2 25	
" " 3, Pat. Donahoe	2 50	
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		760 60
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Balance due township		35 76

We, the Auditors of Clearfield township, have examined the above accounts and found them correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

LUCAS MOYER,
PAT. DONAHOE,
JOHN DURBIN,
Auditors.

ATTEST:
C. L. MILLER, Township Clerk.
March 20, 1885.-c.

ARGUMENT LIST—Cases set down for Argument Court, commencing Monday, April 6, 1885:

Kinports	vs.	Hipp & Lloyd
Arble	vs.	Olark
O'Neill	vs.	Kittanning Ins Co
Reese	vs.	Bole et al
Hipp & Lloyd	vs.	Laferty
Bloom	vs.	Zerby
Woodcock	vs.	Howell
Dodson	vs.	Hoffman
Heigle, Scott Co	vs.	George
Wagner	vs.	Luther
M. W. Keim & Co	vs.	Trefts
Smith	vs.	Keim
J. Swank & Co	vs.	Hutzen et al
Schoenaker & Lang	vs.	Rheam
Murray	vs.	Van Aiken
Use John Thomas	vs.	Mayers et al
Same	vs.	Same
Seeler	vs.	Miller et al
Same	vs.	Same
Rutledge	vs.	Koontz
Porter	vs.	Lytle
Eldridge	vs.	Hindle
Crook	vs.	Noel
Gallitzin Borough	vs.	County Commis'rs

Petition of electors of East Taylor Tp., to enhance ..... place of holding elections.

Rule to show cause, &c., in the matter of opening ..... Petition of D. A. Luther, Sheriff.

Road in Stonycreek Twp., from

THE FIGHTING MANTIS.

Curious Contests Between More Curious Insects.

"If you want to see the latest thing in sporting circles," said a gentleman who had recently returned from South America to a Philadelphia *Times* man, "come up to my room this evening."

The scribe was on hand early, but found he was not the first, as the library into which he was taken held at least a dozen well-known men gathered about a centre table, upon which was a small wicker fence and two wicker cages or boxes. These latter contained the fighters.

"So you expected to see a prize-fight?" laughed the jovial master of ceremonies after he had greeted the new comer. "Well," he continued, "we are not quite up to that, though I don't know but what the principle is the same. We are, indeed, going to have a fight, but with insects, not men. When I was in Rio I was invited to a house one evening where they had one of these combats; and the insects were so remarkably pugnacious that I determined to bring several home, and — of twenty I succeeded in reaching here with seven. The others killed themselves on the way—committed suicide at the thought of leaving their own country, I presume.

"This is one of the principals," continued the speaker, taking up one of the bamboo cages, in which was apparently a broken twig. Opening the door he took the seeming twig out upon his finger, which close examination showed to be an insect of most remarkable make-up. It was an almost perfect imitation of a green branch, the legs appearing like little shoots from the sides. The fore part of the body was raised in the air at an elevation of about 45°, and like supplicating hands the two fore paws were held up. In all the insect was about four inches in length, and presented with its slow and deliberate movements a most uncanny appearance.

"Yes," said the owner, "it is a curious creature. It is a mantis or stick insect. The mantis is a cannibal, a murderer, and the tiger of the insect world—vindictive in the extreme. Examine these claws that it holds up in so-called supplication, and you see they are more like razors than anything else. There is a knife-like blade, piercing and sharp, a saber that when wielded is capable of great destruction. In China they are also kept in bamboo cages by the natives, and large sums are wagered on the result of their battles.

"Now," said the traveler, returning the insect to its cage, where it clung seemingly in stupid lethargy, "I will show you what they can do."

Placing the two cages in the inclosure before mentioned the doors were opened, while the audience waited with breathless impatience for the first move. It came from one of the insects which was of a brown hue. With a funereal step it slowly passed out of the cage, raising each foot and putting it down as if it was counting the throbs of each muscle in its withered body. The hideous creature was almost half out when the green legs of his rival began to wave gently, and soon both insects were clear of their cages, which were then removed from the inclosure.

At first they did not appear to notice each other, and with the deliberate, exasperating tread moved slowly around each other, until finally they met. Quick as a thought each mantis then threw itself into a position of defense. They seemed to drop upon their haunches like the Japanese wrestlers, raising the upper portion of the body high in air, and with their long saber-like arms uplifted they remained like statues. Their stony eyes gave no clue as to their future movements, and for several moments they retained the position; then so rapidly that none of the observers witnessed the first movement they were upon each other. Swift and powerful blows were made, and for a number of seconds it was give and take, the rasping sound of the cuts being distinctly audible some distance from the table.

The brown mantis, that was a trifle the larger, finally by a side blow knocked the other partly upon its side, and in a twinkling was upon it. The fall was allowed and the insects separated. At the commencement of what the audience called the second round the green mantis rushed to the attack, evidently determined to force the fighting, and at a single blow struck off the first joint of one of its opponent's claws, whereupon blood was claimed and allowed. The brown mantis seemed at first demoralized and retreated, but soon recovered and delivered several blows, one of which rolled its adversary over, and with a force which in two men fighting would have been equal to one knocking the other twenty feet. The tactics of the insect were evidently to knock its opponent over and spring upon its back before it could rise; but the lost joint prevented this, and the green mantis regained its feet almost immediately, again rushing in. This time the four saber-like arms became locked in a deadly embrace. Every inch was fought for. The rivals swayed to one side, reared themselves high in air pushed, hauled and twisted in frantic efforts to overcome each other, and all the tricks of the human wrestler were displayed on this narrow field. The fight was kept up for ten minutes, and as it was evident that they would retain it for hours, as their owner had after seen, they were separated, when they again assumed the defensive attitude. There was no appearance of excitement, each insect apparently having the tenacity and nature of a veritable bull dog.

The brown mantis now had to be pushed to the scratch, but once it sprung upon the other like a tiger, but was held upon its back by a blow from the green insect that was so rapid that it could not be followed, and before the larger regained its feet its antagonist was upon it. Before they could again be separated, to the astonishment of the lookers-on, it adopted new tactics, using its sabers as pincers and raising its helpless opponent quickly into the air, where it shocked and swung its saber about in rage and fear. It's all up with the big one," said the exhibitor; "the swords of the green one are meeting right through its body," and so it proved. The struggles of the brown insect grew less and less, but still the green one stood motionless, holding it above ground, only dropping the body to the table when all signs of life had disappeared.

Victory did not appear to satisfy this hero of the ring. It examined its victim for a moment, and then seizing it in its great claws deliberately began to devour it, when with its hard-won meal, it was removed to its prison. It is said that considerable money exchanged hands on the result that was quite unexpected.

Spare the Forests.

A French forestry journal says that thirty years ago the Khanati district of Bacharia was one of the most fertile regions of Central Asia. It was well worked and splendidly watered. About twenty-five years ago a mania for clearing away the forests seized upon the people, and now all the great forests have been cut away and the little that remained was ravaged by fire during a civil war. The consequences were not long in following, and have transformed this country into a kind of arid desert. The water courses are dried up and the irrigating canals empty. The moving sands of the desert, being no longer restrained by barriers of forest, are every day gaining upon the land, and will finish by transforming it into a desert as desolate as the solitudes that separate it from Khiva. Have Americans begun the agitation of the forestry question any too soon?

A boy's presence of mind came into good play in Oregon recently. A resident of Umatilla county got out of bed and was heard by his wife sharpening his knife. The boy got up and inquired what his father was doing, and was told that he was going to kill his wife. The boy offered his assistance, and asked his father to let him sharpen the knife, which request was granted. He then concealed the weapon, called assistance, and soon had the insane man secured.

"Hubby, I've just been reading how Daniel Webster improved his memory."

"How was it, my dear?"

"Well, you see, every night when he came home he told his wife everything he had done during the day, whom he had met, what he had said, everything he could think of. By-and-by he got so he could remember everything."

"Ought?"

"Nothing, hubby, only I thought may be you would like to improve your memory that way."

"Darling, do you suspect me?"

An Auburn lawyer's little daughter goes to Sabbath school, and in a class with her little sister. The teacher was going over the story of King Solomon and his wisdom, and asked the name of the great queen who came to see the King. The name had been forgotten by the class. In order to help them the kind but misguided teacher whispered a little loudly enough: "You do know, I am sure; the name begins with S, and she was a very great queen." Her then up shot a little hand, and she spoke the triumphant word, the little Auburn girl: "Susie Brown!" and the morning school room with the following lines, that must in such circumstances come:

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"What kind of birds do you use most?"

"The common sorts—red-winged blackbirds, reed birds, snipes, turtle doves, orioles, yellow birds, thrushes. Any small bird can be used."

"How do you get them?"

"We buy them from men who make a business of supplying us. Most of the birds we handle are from New Jersey, but a good many come from Long Island, and we receive some from the West and South. A few are imported."

"What do you pay for them?"

"That depends on the fashions entirely. Two years ago the demand of the milliners was for red wings and yellow birds. We paid from twenty-five to thirty-five cents apiece, and at one time we had to pay as high as forty-seven cents apiece for a lot. Last year we got all we wanted at from seven to eight cents each. When the hunters have to supply a brisk demand, they can get more, of course, because the supply of birds of each variety does not vary greatly from year to year."

"Do the hunters shoot the birds?"

"I guess not. I do not find any shot in flaying those bought from regular customers."

"How do they catch them then?"

"I guess you could not get them to tell you. There is one man who brings us from 1,500 to 2,000 a week during the warm months. He says he has a partner and has other help. He lives in Red Bank. One would think the woods would be depopulated, or else that he would get rich enough to retire, but he has been working away for years now."

"Where do all these fancy birds that look like pictures of tropical rarities come from?"

"All from Jersey. By inserting a snipe's bill in the place of the bill of a crow blackbird, and then combining parts of the skins of other common birds we produce a monstrosity, but if the colors are well matched the result is attractive to the common eye, however grotesque it may appear to one who knows all about the appearance of birds. It is not uncommon to see in the Grand street windows hats that have half a dozen bird heads projecting from one mass of feathers that might be the breast of a swan or the pickings from a second-hand pillow. The wings that adorn some hats are about as much like wings as a stovepipe is like a lead pencil. But those queer tastes are the making of our business. The portions of the bird's skin which are cut away when mounting a bird naturally for a hat can all be used up in wings by gluing them on a model. I read in The Sun the other day about an old young woman whose nerves were wholly shattered in a millinery store because, as the article said, of her sympathy for the poor little birds she had to handle. I guess there is some question about that. I think the shock must have come from a contemplation of some of our combination birds. She has my sympathy."

Yankee Doodle's Origin.

Every once in a while our national song, "Yankee Doodle," is the cause of a spirited dispute among those who search after the origin of such things. Such a controversy is on just at present, and it is reviving some interesting history about that old-fashioned tune. From the best theories that can be formed it is probable that "Yankee Doodle" first came from Holland. From the time countries of that kingdom there has long been a song which the harvesters sang, illustrating the fact that buttermilk and one-tenth of the grain they gathered was given as the price of their labor. It runs thus:

Yanker didel, dodel down,
Didel, dudel inster,
Yanke yiver, veever vown,
Botermilk and Tanther

The air which these words were sung was afterwards carried to England and applied to words written in derision of Cromwell almost exactly as they are known in this country and named "Nankee Doodle." The song was brought to this land soon after the landing of our forefathers and was known as "Lydia Fisher's Jig." In 1775 the regular troops, while the Continental Congress was discussing the question of separating from the mother country, used to sing the air to such verses as these:

"Nankee Doodle came to town,
For to buy a firelock;
We will tar and feather him,
And so we will John Hancock."

It was not adopted by the Americans as a familiar air until after the battles of Concord and Lexington, when the brigade under Lord Percy marched out of Boston, playing by the way of contempt "Lydia Fisher's Jig," or what is now known as "Yankee Doodle."—[Philadelphia Times.

Little girl: "Papa, did mamma say yes right off when you asked her to marry you?" Papa: "Certainly she did." Little girl: "Why can't she say yes now just as quick when you ask her to do things?" Papa: "Mamma's hearing is not as good now, darling—that's all."

A Case that Puzzled the Whole Faculty

Mrs. Milo Ingrum gave the names of some of the most reputable physicians in the two cities (Pittsburgh and Alleghenny), to whom she had paid large sums of money for treatment, but she rapidly grew worse. She was then taken to the most reputable physicians and surgeons in New York, but with no better success. They had all pronounced it cancer, and declared she must die. The flesh of her breast was eaten away down to her ribs; the breast bone was laid bare, and the disease made its way upwards, causing the breast to become detached from the wall of the chest, hanging loose from above. See page 26, of Dr. Hartman's "Ills of Life," how PERUNA cured her. They are given away by druggists, gratis.

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FROM PAGE TO SENATOR.

The Successful Career of Dick Townshend Who May Succeed Logan.

Congressman Dick Townshend, who has just announced himself as a candidate for the Illinois senatorship, to succeed General Logan, is one of the handsomest and cleanest looking Democrats in the House. He is forty-five years old, straight as a plummet line, and has a modest air which belies his most ambitious nature. He is now serving his fourth term in Congress, and is one of the coming men of his party. Mr. Townshend was born in Maryland, and at the age of ten removed to Washington, where he began life as a clerk in Joe Shillington's book store. Mr. Shillington, who is one of the old stagers of the capital, says he was a bright boy, and that he paid great attention to the great men up on the hill. He was also fond of political discussion, and used often to talk politics with an older clerk named Buckingham. Townshend was bright, too, and he often pushed Buckingham to the wall. One day when Buckingham had been so badly worsted he said to young Townshend: "It makes no difference what you say, Dick Townshend, you are nothing but a boy anyhow!" The boy Townsend replied: "I know I am only a boy now, but I am going to be a Congressman some day. Just you wait a few years and I will be getting $5,000 a year in that house on the hill while you are still clerking at a few dollars a week."

"And," continued Mr. Shillington, "he has done so sure enough. He got a position in the Senate not long after this as a page, through some of the senators who used to buy books here, and there formed such a friendship with Judge Marshall of Illinois, that the judge persuaded him to go to Illinois with him. In Illinois he first taught school, and then studied law. Marshall then took him into partnership with him and in due time he was elected to Congress. If he gets the to Senate he will be the second senator now in the body who began life as a page there. I refer to Senator Gorman as the other."
—[*Cleveland Leader.*

Personalities.

Mrs. William H. Vanderbilt always dresses in black for church going.

It is proposed by Italians resident in New York to buy Garibaldi's old place on Staten Island and make it into a Garibaldi Park.

Colonel Chester, the messenger who delivered the electoral vote of Tennessee to the President of the Senate, is ninety-four years old, and in vigorous health.

Dr. Schweniger, of Munich, is the author of the new system of reducing flesh by not eating and drinking at the same time, but by letting two hours intervene.

Mr. Hamilton Fish spent seventeen thousand dollars a year, Mr. Evarts twelve thousand dollars, and Mr. Frelinghuysen seven thousand, over and above their salary, while holding the office of Secretary of State.

The Rev. J. C. Wilder, of the class of '83 in the Vermont University, is the oldest college student perhaps in the world, as at the age of eighty three he has returned to finish the course of study interrupted when he was a member of the class of '83.

Mr. Oliver S. Taylor, formerly in the employ of Messrs. Crocker & Brewster, Boston publishers, celebrated his one hundredth birthday a week or two ago. Mr. Crocker, of the above firm, is himself eighty nine years old. Both gentlemen have their faculties perfectly.

Mr. E. D. Smith, of Newport, Rhode Island, an octogenarian, whose son-in-law, Mr. Clarke, has lately been appointed Treasurer of Amherst College, was nearly stone deaf when, slipping and falling in the street very recently, he hit his head, and on recovering from the stunning effect of the blow had entirely regained his hearing.

In the album of the widow of ex-Senator Evans, of Maine, is the following verdant sentiment, penned by a boy admirer: "Mrs. Evans of main requists. The hunter from the west to write his name in her Album. Her curosity shall be gratified by a Sentiment wishing her helth and hapines —and a safe arrival at her residence with her family and friends."

George Augustus Sala says: "Some people say that Louis Napoleon was not brave. I say that he was one of the most phlegmatic of the bravest of men. He rode through the streets of Paris fully ten horse's lengths ahead of his staff, when at every window there might have been an assassin, with the same imperturbable countenance and the same expression of being only half awake that I had first noticed. I saw him when, a young man, in the zenith of his power, and again after his downfall, but always there was the same semi-somnambulent-lethargic expression."

At a Kansas fair two pigs were fed with a view to determine which was the best. The experiment lasted fifty-seven days. One was a Poland-China, and weighed 96 pounds, at the beginning, and at the end weighed 176 pounds, having made a gain of 82 pounds, the food being three pounds to each one pound gained. The other was a Berkshire, and weighed at the beginning 81 1-4 pounds and at the end 164 pounds gaining 82 3-4 pounds and consuming 3.16 pounds of food to each pound gained. The Berkshire gained three-quarters of a pound more than the Poland-China, but required a trifle more food for each pound gained. Such experiments should be made in every farm, as they would soon enable farmers to grow the largest proportion of pork at the smallest possible cost.

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